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BRIEFS

OCSC Seeks Volunteers, Schedules Meetings

The Officer's Civilian Spouse Club Cultural Committee is seeking volunteers to meet and greet visitors to the Lighthouse Museum from 2 to 4 pm, Saturdays and Sundays. If you have volunteered previously, call 2774. We are creating an updated volunteer list.

Also, OCSC Board members meet Monday, Jan. 28, 5 pm, at the Sailing Center. An OCSC general membership meeting is Tuesday, Feb. 5, 7 pm, at the Community Center. All members are invited to attend and bring your favorite recipes for the club cookbook.

Community Fleamarket Feb. 16

Once again, it's time for a GTMO Spring Cleaning of all your closets and pantries! Make some extra cash from your treasures!

The next GTMO Community Flea Market is Saturday, Feb. 16, from 7 am to noon at the Community Center.

If you are interested in having a table, please contact JoAnn King at 2774 or Cel McMillan at 7597 after working hours. Leave a message and a table will be reserved for you. There is no charge for tables or the facility; this is not a fundraiser for any organization, so the proceeds from sales will be kept by participants. Call now to reserve a table.

Communicating With Your Child Class set

This class addresses concerns about how to communicate with children about difficult issues in their wider world. Classes are held at the Fleet and Family Support Center, Thursday, Jan. 29, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. For more information, call 4141.

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I Have A Dream



Photo by JOC Ric Evans

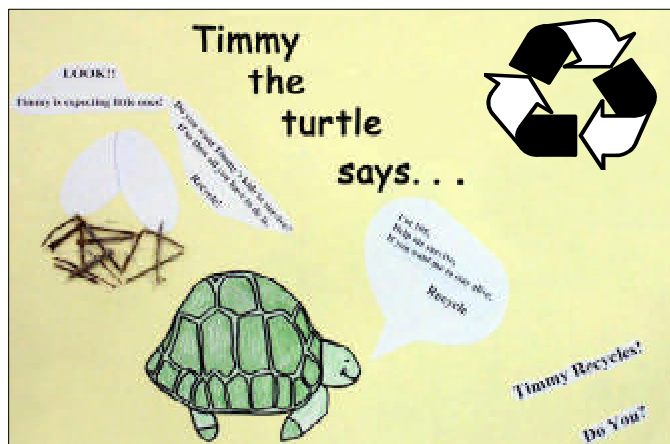
Roderick Blackman delivers Dr. Martin Luther King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech as a highlight of the 3rd Annual Martin Luther King Candlelight March. The candles are replaced by chem-lites to overcome GTMO's evening breezes, but the annual march from the Windjammer Club to the POW/MIA Memorial on Sherman Ave. includes traditional songs and recorded excerpts from speeches by Dr. King. The program at the memorial included comments from march organizers, the Base Chaplains and Capt. Robert Buehn, Commander Naval Base. (more on page 6)

Appliances account for about 20 percent of your household's energy consumption, with refrigerators and clothes dryers at the top of the list.

Total Used:	6,112,788.0
Daily Avg:	873,255.4
Daily Goal:	700,000

**We spent -\$23,042.97
OVER our goal last
week.**


GTMO's Kids know... The key to a good life is saving our resources through recycling and reuse.



When going on leave, remember to complete a quarters vacancy form at base housing advising them of the dates that you will be absent from your quarters. Also ask a trusted neighbor or friend to periodically check your home and provide housing with their names as well.

JANUARY 2002 TIDAL DATA

DATE	TIME	LEVEL	TIME	LEVEL	TIME	LEVEL	TIME	LEVEL
25	0620	1.34	1254	0.37	1656	0.59	2324	-0.43
26	0708	1.45	1342	0.33	1750	0.60	0018	-0.52
27	0756	1.53	1430	0.28	1850	0.63	—	—
28	0112	-0.57	0844	1.57	1512	0.22	1950	0.68
29	0200	-0.58	0926	1.58	1548	0.14	2050	0.74
30	0254	-0.54	1014	1.53	1630	0.05	2150	0.81
31	0354	-0.45	1056	1.45	1718	-0.05	—	—



Cuban American Friendship

The annual Cuban American Friendship Day, celebrated by most of GTMOs public today is being attended by ten of GTMOs most celebrated residents, our Cuban commuters.

These men who have made the longest trek to work of any of us and for much longer than most of us, were presented with complimentary tickets to today's events. Capt. Robert Buehn, Commander Naval Base and Migdalia Hettler, Assistant Supply Officer and Cuban American Friendship Day Committee Chairperson, greeted the commuters at the Northeast Gate Tuesday morning as they arrived at the base for work.

Today's festivities highlight the long association and friendship enjoyed by the Cuban residents of Naval Base as well as the commuters who maintain the homes in Cuba, but who have worked on the base since before the gates closed in 1964.

By Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) — There's still time to enroll in the Thrift Savings Plan by Jan. 31 to save for future retirement and enjoy the benefit of a full year of pre-tax savings on base, bonus and incentive pay.

"The new pay hikes, combined with TSP, represents a unique 'one-two' compensation punch I hope every Sailor will take advantage of," said Vice Adm. Norb Ryan Jr., Chief of Naval Personnel. "While it's great that almost 10 percent of our total force has already enrolled in TSP, I hope more Sailors and their families take the time NOW to enroll before the closing of the current enrollment period on Jan. 31."

TSP participant Yeoman 2nd Class Sara Sanders said, "Because we did get a pay raise, I wasn't used to the extra money, so I didn't miss it." With seven years of service and at age 26, Sanders opted to have 4 percent of her base salary invested in her own TSP account. Sanders works as administrative assistant to the chief of staff, Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Norfolk, Va. "Most Sailors don't realize that they can carry over this program to the civilian sector," the Los Angeles-born sailor added.

"Over the last two months, I have given 35 to 40 presentations on TSP," said Jim

(See TSP, page 12)

Detainee Pictures Prohibited

Base security has stated that taking pictures of the arrival and transportation of Camp X-Ray detainees is strictly prohibited for unauthorized personnel. Film will be confiscated. For more information, contact Base Security, 4105.

Playgroup Re-opens

The GTMO Community Playgroup resumes Jan. 28, due to the MLK Holiday. The Playgroup will meet each Monday from 10 to 11 am at the Chapel Hill Nursery, Room 18.

This playgroup is open to parents and children ages 0 to 4. Call 2072 for more information.

NWC Course Available

All officers are invited to attend the Naval War College Seminar Course on Joint Maritime Operations.

Course is held on Wednesdays from 6:45 pm to 9:45 pm in the hospital's Staff Education and Training building.

Business as Usual at Naval Hospital

The Commanding Officer and staff at the Naval Hospital would like to ensure our base residents and the community we serve that everything is business as usual and all clinics and departments are open as they were before recent events.

Please be assured that access to care and all other services that we have all come to expect from the Naval Hospital will continue with the same level of service and excellence.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Primary Care Manager or the Hospital Customer Service Representative, Lt. Cmdr. Widmer at 72052.

Training Team Needs Volunteers For Indoc Course

There is a Command Training Team Indoctrination Course Monday, March 11 through Friday, March 15. We need 12 people to hold the class. We will need this information no later than Feb. 8. Contact AM1 Raymer at n12e@usnbtmo.navy.mil.

GUANTANAMO BAY

Single Parent Group

The group is open to all single parents or geographically separated parents here with their children. This group has also been opened up to those here without their family members. The group's focus is to create a network of moral support to these families. Open to parents with children of all ages.

Questions?

Contact Shannon Gallops at 4207 DWH or 7337 AWH.

Ally Bates at 7-2380 DWH or 5537 AWH.

Yokasta "Joe" Bisono at 7-2190 AWH or 7507 AWH



**GIRL SCOUT COOKIE
SALE ORDERS TAKEN AT
NEX ATRIUM**

Drop by the NEX to place your order for your favorite Girl Scout Cookies.

The Girl Scouts have only one week to take all the cookie orders. The last day to place orders in Guantanamo Bay is Saturday, Jan. 26.

Cookies are \$3 per box (paid in advance) and arrive in early March.

For more information, call
Trish Loop, 4662 or 7495.



Ammunition Transportation

Guantanamo Bay's population has increased by almost half and most of this increase consists of security forces involved in the JTF160 mission. With the increase in population comes increased flow of equipment and ordnance required to support that mission.

In accordance with NAVSEA SW020-AF-ABK-010, vehicles transporting ammunition and ordnance are identified by the 4 red flags located at the corners of the front and rear bumpers of the vehicle in addition to explosive materials safety placards mounted on all sides of the vehicle. When you see these vehicles on the road, usually in a convoy formation, you should observe the following rules:

1. If you are in oncoming traffic, pull to the side of the road until all vehicles have passed.
2. If in front of and travelling in the same direction as the convoy, continue to drive, stay well ahead of the convoy and do not slow down.
3. If behind the convoy, maintain a least 100-foot safety buffer (approx. five to seven car lengths) between you and the last escort vehicle.
4. Never cut into the convoy.

A Reminder on the SGLI Family Coverage Program

By Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

WASHINGTON - Spouses of service members enrolled in Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (SGLI) are now automatically insured for up to \$100,000 of Family SGLI. Dependent children — including all unmarried dependent children under the age of 18, and those over 18 but younger than 23 who attend an accredited school, and children who are declared legally incompetent before the age of 18 — will be insured for \$10,000 at no cost. Family members of service members who do not have SGLI insurance will not be covered. Family member SGLI coverage is automatic. Service members who do not want spousal coverage, or would like reduced coverage, must make the election in writing on Form SGLV 8286A. The premium will be automatically deducted from their pay. Service members, not spouses, are able to make these elections. For more information see the Family SGLI Web site at <http://www.insurance.va.gov/sglivgli/sglifam.htm>. Also see the PERS-62 Web site for updates at <http://www.bupers.navy.mil/pers62/index.html>

GAZETTE

WORSHIP SERVICES

Roman Catholic Mass (Main Chapel)	
<i>Monday - Friday</i>	
Daily Mass (Cobre Chapel) 0630	
<i>Saturday</i>	
Reconciliation	1630
Eucharist/Mass	1730
<i>Sunday</i>	
Eucharist/Mass	0900
Eucharistic Adoration/Reflective Prayer (Cobre Chapel) Daily, 24hrs	
Protestant Service (Main Chapel)	
<i>Sunday</i>	
Worship Service	1100

LAY LED SERVICES

New Life (Sanctuary B)	
<i>Sunday</i>	
Sunday School	1000
Worship Service	1100
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Sanctuary A)	
<i>Sunday</i>	
Sacrament	0900
Filipino Bible Fellowship (Sanctuary A)	
<i>Sunday</i>	
Worship Service	1800
Ingllesia Ni Cristo (Sanctuary B)	
<i>Sunday</i>	
Worship Service	2000
Pentecostal Gospel Temple (Sanctuary C)	
<i>Sunday</i>	
Worship	0800 & 1700
Seventh Day Adventist (Sanctuary B)	
<i>Saturday</i>	
Service	0930 & 1630
United Gospel (Main Chapel)	
<i>Sunday</i>	
Service	1245
United Jamaican Fellowship	
(Morin Ctr Complex - BLDG. 1036) (Next to the Cable Company)	
<i>Sunday</i>	
Worship	1100
Please ask the Faith Group Representative about Education Programs, Bible Study, Prayer Groups, Choirs, etc. For more details, call the Chaplain's Office at 2323.	

And the winners are. . .



Third graders Kristin Ramos and Joseph Schonoff are the first place winners in the under 12 category of the Letters to the Front Contest. Last September, students were encouraged to enter the contest. Each entry was to be a letter of encouragement for an overseas service member. First place winners are automatically entered into the national contest. Go to www.letters-from-the-front.com on Jan. 31 to see the winners.

CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Friday, Feb. 1 to Saturday, Feb. 9, is Children's Dental Health Week. The U.S. Naval Hospital Dental Department encourages parents to bring their children in for a visit to the dentist.

A special re-opening of the Dental Clinic takes place at the new Naval Hospital location on Saturday, February 9th from 0800 to 1300. Parents are invited to bring their children to the dental clinic to receive exams, have the children's teeth cleaned, have sealant applied (if needed), and receive preventive dental education.

Come one and all and join the Guantanamo Bay Dental Clinic staff in working to keep our GTMO children SMILING.

For more information and to sign up contact DT3 Mason at 7-2239/2241.

School Lunch Menu

Jan 28 - Feb 1

- MONDAY -

Chicken Pattie,
Baked Beans, Fresh
Fruit, Milk

- TUESDAY -

Pepperoni Pizza,
Green Beans,
Fruited Gelatin, Milk

- WEDNESDAY -

Oven Fried Chicken,
Mashed Potatoes,
Peas, Brownie,
Fresh Fruit, Milk

- THURSDAY -

Chicken Nuggets,
French Fries, Fresh
Fruit, Milk

- FRIDAY -

Combination Pizza,
Carrot Sticks, Green
Beans, Fruit Cocktail,
Milk

This Week in Naval History

January 25

1968 - Operation Windsong I in Mekong Delta, Vietnam.

January 26

1911 - 1st hydroaeroplane flight is witnessed by naval aviator
1913 - The body of John Paul Jones is laid to rest at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD
1949 - USS *Norton Sound*, first guided-missile ship, launches first guided missile, Loon.
1960 - USS *John S. McCain* rescues the entire 41-man crew of the sinking Japanese freighter, *Shimwa Maru*, in the East China Sea.

January 27

1942 - USS *Gudgeon* is first US sub to sink enemy submarine in action, Japanese *I-173*.
1945 - Commissioning of USS *Higbee* (DD-806), first U.S. Navy ship named after women member of U.S. Navy.
1967 - Fire in Command Module at Cape Kennedy during simulation countdown. Lunar Module Pilot LCDR Roger B. Chaffee and two other crew members died.
1973 - Paris Peace Accords signed, ending U.S. participation in the Vietnam War.

January 28

1960 - Navy demonstrates value of moon communication relay, used in fleet broadcasts.
1962 - USS *Cook* (APD-130) rescues 25 survivors from Panamanian tanker, *SS Stanvac Sumatra*, which broke in two in the South China Sea.
1986 - Space shuttle *Challenger* explodes killing CDR Michael Smith, USN, and 6 other astronauts.

January 29

1914 - U.S. Marines land in Haiti to protect U.S. consulate
1943 - Beginning of 2 day battle of Rennell Island after which U.S. transports reached Guadalcanal.

January 30

1862 - Launching of first turreted warship, USS *Monitor*.

1968 - Tet Offensive begins in Vietnam.

January 31

1944 - American amphibious landing on Kwajalein, Marshall Islands.
1961 - Lt. Cmdr. Samuel Lee Gravely, Jr. becomes first African-American to command a combat ship, USS *Falgot*.

February 1

1941 - United States Fleet reorganized, reviving Atlantic and Pacific Fleets.
1942 - USS *Enterprise* and *Yorktown* make first WW II air strike, Japanese Marshall Islands.
1955 - Operation Deep Freeze, a research task force, established in Antarctic.

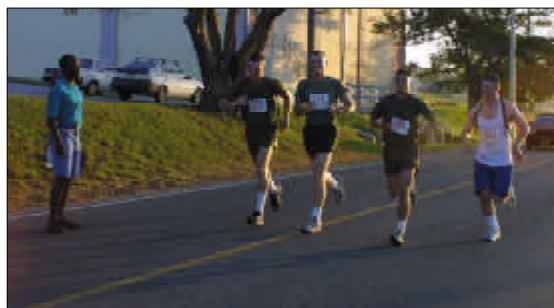
GTMO gathers for 5K Run and Candlelight March



(Top) Approximately 200 residents turned out for the annual Martin Luther King Candlelight March Monday evening, gathering at the Windjammer where the group started with the Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem before starting the march.

(Right) Young and old alike participated in covering a longer route during the MLK 5K early Monday morning. The run began at the gym and took Tarawa Rd. over the ridgeline before heading out to Caribbean Circle and back to the gym.

(Below) Competition wasn't always uppermost in the minds of runners. Some ran as informal teams, crossing the finish line together. Following the run, MWR personnel tallied the times and presented t-shirts and trophies to first, second and third place finishers in all age categories.



Marines pay respects to fallen brothers

Story and Photo by Sgt. Joshua S. Higgins, USMC
JTF-160 Public Affairs

On June 11, 1898, Privates William Dumphy and James McColgan were the first Marines killed after their battalion of 647 leathernecks commanded by Lt. Col. Robert W. Huntington landed here during the Spanish American War. Nearly 104 years later, Marines attached to Joint Task Force-160 paid tribute to these fallen comrades by restoring their gravesite.

Marines with Charlie Company, 8th Communications Battalion, II Marine Expeditionary Force, volunteered their time to cut grass around the grave, a task previously performed by the security force company here, but recently neglected due to the frequent rotation of personnel on and off the island.

"These privates are special because they are Marines, and as fellow Marines it is our job to take care of them," said Charlie Co. Executive Officer, 1st Lt. Rodney L. Towery of Escatawpa, Miss. "That is why we're here today."

Their morning began with a boots and utilities run to the headstone in temperatures reaching the upper 80's. But when the Marines arrived, their concern was not the heat, but rather if they would have enough gas in the lawn mower, hauled by their humvee.

Before beginning the noble deed of revamping the gravesite, Towery gathered his Marines for a history lesson covering the battle that led to the deaths of the privates.

"As senior Marines it is important that we pass this history down to younger Marines," said Towery. "Our history is what makes Marines cry when they're handed the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor emblem upon graduation of boot camp."

In addition to cutting the grass, the Marines bought white spray paint to touch up the weather-beaten



Marines from Charlie Company, 8th Communications Battalion, II Marine Expeditionary Force Headquarters Group based in Camp Lejeune, N.C., pose for a group photograph at the grave site of Privates William Dumphy and James McColgan.

headstone and surrounding picket fence. They constructed a gravel path leading the short distance from the road to the gravesite and a border of larger stones painted scarlet and gold, the traditional colors of the Marine Corps. For the finishing touch, each took a turn polishing the copper plaque that serving as the epitaph for these fallen warriors.

Although Towery's initial intent was only to trim the weeds so the grave could be seen from the road, he was proud his Marines took the project a step further.

"I just wanted the grass cut, but the non-commissioned officers took charge and went the extra mile," said Towery. "That's what being a Marine is all about."

Lance Cpl. Manuel Garela, from Bronx, N.Y., polishes the copper plate on the grave.



Medical facilities from Camp Lejeune built here for detainees

By Pfc. Jacob A. McDonald 27th Public Affairs Detachment JTF-160

GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA - In response to health concerns about the detainees at Camp X-Ray, Navy service members began construction here this week of a temporary medical facility capable of providing them medical attention that ranges from dental exams to major surgery.

The construction of the hospital required over 180 people in conjunction with Navy Fleet Hospital 20 from Camp Lejeune, N.C. Initially, it took 17 Navy builders from Construction Battalion 423, commonly known as "the Seabees," to clear and prepare the land for the hospital.

This took over three days of intense 24-hour operations beginning January 18. Tents went up in one day and the International Standards Organization (ISO) containers were unpacked, expanded and organized into rooms and storage areas fit for labs, washrooms and examination rooms.

According to the fleet hospital executive officer, Navy Commander Kevin L. Gallagher, no detainees will receive medical care outside of Cuba. If a specialist is required, he will be brought into the hospital.

"There is a regular plan set to screen for diseases as the detainees arrive. Any test that's indicated we have the capability to do, or we can send off for it," said Gallagher. "This is a complete hospital, so we have top of the line lab equipment, respirators, ICU equipment, OR equipment, anesthesia machines... this is fully capable."

The hospital is also large enough to accommodate for the task.

"It takes up approximately 1½ acres. It has a 36-bed capacity. Due to security we are redesigning the hospital as we go. This hospital has never been designed to work with detainees, so it's one of the things you have to adjust to as we go along," said Navy Builder Chief Will Clarke, Construction Battalion 423.

Joel Moore, with the Fleet Hospital Assistance Team (FHAT) represents the fleet hospital support office. His office designs and packs the hospital into the ISOs and sends a technical representative during construction. If there is a problem with the construction or utilities, they try to resolve the problem. He has been in the design department of the fleet hospital for eight years.

"In this particular hospital, it will have three wings: It will have a pharmacy, a lab, an x-ray, and mobile utility modules, (which is like a head facility)," said

Moore. "The second wing is a medical suite which has the casualty receiving and operating room. The third wing is an intensive care unit wing."

This hospital will give the detainees the same care that we would give our own troops, he said.

Water is provided through one 1500-gallon portable tank and four 2000-gallon water bladders. Wastewater is stored in two other specialized ISO containers. Power is currently provided through generators, but there is a plan to hook up shore power and use the generators as backups. In addition, laundry facilities for hospital linens will be on site according to Clarke.

The 24-hour facility will have security measures in place, with two military police accompanying each detainee to the hospital and remaining there with him.

The majority of the hospital staff is from fleet hospital Camp Lejeune. There is also staff participating from all over the nation.

"It's always neat to see something that you've put on paper for two or three years actually go up and go operational," Moore said.

The workload of the staff

will depend on the health condition of the detainees and what their needs are, which will not be known until they arrive at the hospital.

The hospital is scheduled to be here as long as medical facilities are needed.

"The commander in chief requested that we treat these detainees and give them top of the line medical care and we're proud to do that," Gallagher said.



Above: Lt. Mike Cleveland from Camp Lejeune sets up tent frames.

Right: Navy Fleet Hospital 20 Commanding officer, Capt. Pat Alford, gives a helping hand.

Below: Two sailors stretch out canvas for tents at the site.



Sailors attach the canvas to the tent frames to put up over the offices.



CED1 Ralph Armstrong and CM1 Kent Palmer Review the electrical plan.

Marine infantrymen set sights on training

Story and Photo by Sgt. Joshua S. Higgins, USMC
JTF-160 Public Affairs

When it comes to handling detainees from Afghanistan who are described by Brig. Gen. Michael R. Lehnert, Joint Task Force-160 commander, as "very dangerous people," the Marines of Bravo Company, 1st Battalion, 2d Marine Division aren't skipping a beat.

The Marines took full advantage of two live fire ranges here recently to hone their marksmanship and deployment of non-lethal munitions skills.

"This is training we'll continue throughout the entire operation due to its high-risk nature," said Capt. Robert A. Patterson, Bravo Company commander.

The training began with the company's designated marksmen

sighting in the scopes attached to their M-16A2 service rifles. Each Marine fired three shot groups before checking their targets to make adjustments.

The designated marksmen's initial training came one year ago from the companies scout snipers.

"We gave these guys a two-week course to give them the basic fundamentals they need to be a designated marksman," said Sgt. Matt A. Lampert of Big Sky, Mont.

Although the course given by the snipers was thorough, it is important the Marines get plenty of practice.

"You have to shoot often to be consistent," said Sgt. Eric N. Dirker, also a scout sniper with Bravo Company from Cuyahoga

Falls, Ohio. "Shooting is a very perishable skill so we try to get out to the range as often as we can."

The Marines' skill must be at an expert level as they are assigned to man the guard towers at Camp X-ray.

"We're given sectors of fire outside the camp to prevent an attempt of unauthorized entry," said LCpl. Mark D. Jones of Allentown, Pa. "We also watch for any suspicious acts by the detainees," he added.

SSgt. Kenneth D. Voorheis takes the lead as the head designated marksman and trains new Marines the skill as others rotate out of the company.

"We try to continuously look at each marksman's end of active service date so if need be we can train another Marine to take his place," said Voorheis.

Meanwhile at another range here, Bravo Company members serving as the quick reaction force (QRF) inside X-ray conducted their own form of training.

The QRF consists of 24 Marines bearing shields, M-590 shotguns, and M-203 grenade launchers. Their responsibility is to quickly subdue unruly detainees if they get out of unarmed Army military police control.

"The QRF would use all available assets to include non-lethal, and as a last resort, lethal munitions vice the initial reaction force of Army MP's who use no weapons," said Donald R. Tarbell, a provost marshal from Camp Lejeune, N.C. who serves as the officer in charge of non-lethal weapons training here.

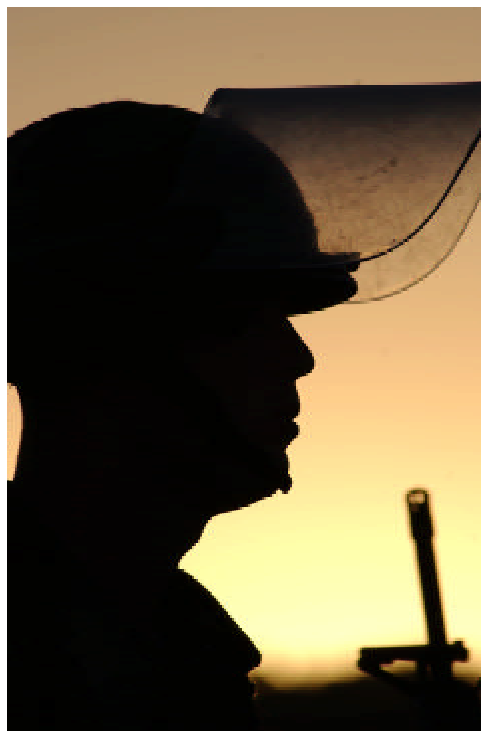
During the training exercises Marines practiced employing these munitions while in riot control formations intended to intimidate rioters into submission.

In addition to learning and practicing these formations the Marines must know when, and how to use them.

"Force continuum is a big part of what we teach," said Tarbell. "We explain very thoroughly how non-lethal weaponry fits into our rules of engagement."

Between all of this training and standing post, the Marines aren't getting much time off, but the long hours haven't affected their enthusiasm.

"These Marines know the mission comes first and everyone is motivated and focused on the job at hand," said Patterson.



Pfc. Aaron W. Walters, a rifleman with Bravo Company, 1st Battalion, 2d Marine Division stands ready for a day of marksmanship training here recently.

GITMO Firefighters Trained As EMTs

By Lt. Kenneth Pace
Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay

Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay recently solved the problem of ensuring that emergency medical services were available to even the most isolated in the community: train firefighters as emergency medical technicians.

Last February, when the base's population began decreasing, so did the hospital staff. This "right-sizing" posed a challenge to both the Naval Hospital and Naval Base, which knew this may affect the emergency medical services on the leeward side of the base. About 50 people work and reside there, including guards at the Marine Corps observation posts that are accessible only by air or boat.

The base airfield is located on that side of the base. The solution was to train leeward-side firefighters as EMTs to provide emergency support.

Forty-one firefighters attended the hospital's EMT program at the leeward fire station. All the firefighters completed the program and graduated; but because there are so few emergency calls and clinical experiences, additional training was needed.

To supplement training, the hospital is providing a nationally registered EMT as the medical-scene supervisor and to continue to train, instruct and mentor the

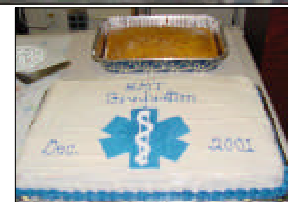


firefighters.

The EMT is berthed at the fire station and provides training twice a day on equipment and emergency-medical scenarios.

This innovative concept was so successful that the EMT training was expanded to include the remaining 62 firefighters on the windward side of the base.

They now respond to all 9-1-1 medical emergencies and act as first responders, administering CPR and basic first aid to patients at the scene.



GITMO Firefighters had their cake and ate it too, at their Emergency Medical Technician Graduation ceremony. The firefighters are now trained to act as first responders to medical emergency

Vaccine Ban For Pregnant Servicewomen Strengthened

Special news release from the Department of Defense

WASHINGTON – Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs William Winkenwerder issued policy guidance last week that reiterates and strengthens long-standing DoD policy to avoid immunization of service women of child-bearing age during pregnancy.

This action was taken because of issues raised about preliminary data from a non-peer reviewed Naval Health Research Center study of women who received the anthrax vaccine.

"Although these study results are preliminary and there are significant concerns about the database that require further investigation before any conclusions can be made, we are taking these steps to reaffirm our existing policies," stated

Winkenwerder.

The preliminary data, which has not been scientifically peer-reviewed and will require further validation, identified a possible relationship between maternal anthrax vaccination in the first trimester and higher odds of birth defects.

Because the data supporting the study showed that a number of women might have received the anthrax vaccine beyond the first trimester, study data is now being re-validated. The peer-review publication process usually takes several months. The final report will be available then.

At the Department's request, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention will issue a report next week in its Morbidity and Mortality Report at <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr> that provides further details of the study

Changes Make Travel, Moves Less Costly

By Army Sgt. 1st Class Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Several changes in the 2002 National Defense Authorization Act are making moves and official travel less costly for service members.

Changes dealing with dislocation allowance, temporary lodging expenses, pet quarantines and frequent-flier miles are all designed to reduce out-of-pocket expenses for service members.

Dislocation allowance, paid when members with families are forced to move, is being improved in several ways. Previously, the allowance was paid only when a member made a permanent change of station move. Under the new law, members being forced to move out of government quarters at the government's convenience, not their own will, receive a partial dislocation allowance of \$500. The full allowance is generally equivalent to one month's basic allowance for housing.

"As we privatize and renovate quarters, we're requiring people to vacate family housing, and they were receiving no compensation because there was no PCS (permanent change-of-station)," said Stephen Westbrook, director of DoD's Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee.

Another change allows dual-service couples with no other family members and who are moving into government quarters to receive the dislocation allowance. Westbrook explained that previous rules treated dual-service couples as two separate, single members — and single members are not entitled to the allowance.

A third change allows new service members to claim the dislocation allowance for moves to their first duty stations. They previously were ineligible. Separation and retirement moves remain ineligible, Westbrook said.

Temporary Lodging Expense payments are designed to cover costs associated with staying in a hotel or temporary quarters while moving from one duty station to another. The new law increases the daily payment maximum rate from \$110 to \$180, Westbrook said. TLE is limited to 10 days for moves to bases within the continental United States.

The 2001 authorization act allowed the reimbursement of pet quarantine costs for members moving to areas that require quarantine. The 2002 act doubles that reimbursement rate from a maximum of \$275 to \$550.

The new authorization act allows members moving from one duty station within the United States to another to ship a second vehicle to their new duty station. Westbrook explained that previously, the government reimbursed members a certain amount per mile to drive a second car. The new law will pay shipping costs for a second car up the amount it would have cost to drive the vehicle, he said.

The new law allows federal employees, including military members, to keep frequent-flier miles and other promotional benefits airlines may offer travelers. Westbrook said the government's longstanding position had been that it owned the frequent-flier miles employees earned for travel on the government's dime. The airlines, however, only award miles to individuals.

"There's no material benefit to the government (in keeping them from the members)," Westbrook said. "They are offered freely by

those companies to all travelers. So this just recognizes that we should let federal travelers earn the same benefits and keep them just as if you worked for a civilian company." He noted, however, that official travelers still must make their reservations through government travel offices and pay for official travel with government credit cards.

BEQ Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, Feb. 13
3:30 pm in the BEQ kitchen.
Residents and command
representatives are invited

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McCarthy, financial educator at the Fleet and Family Support Center, Norfolk, Va. "There seems to be interest from E-5 up through the senior personnel as to how they benefit, but it's harder to get the younger Sailors to think about retiring when they are so young."

McCarthy added that young Sailors are keyed in to the idea that money will be taken out of their pockets now. The perception isn't that TSP is a bad program, it's just that retirement itself is an unreal concept. However, the average working person can work toward financial independence simply by saving regularly and letting savings compound with interest. How much easier can it be than having it taken out of your pay and put into the fund of your choice?

Exploring the fund options also helps you learn about basic investing information. Disbursing Clerk 1st Class Cynthia Phillips, military pay leading petty officer, Personnel Support Detachment, Washington, D.C., sees TSP as an enriching benefit for Sailors. "Seniors need to get the information to their Sailors to make sure that they see the benefit of putting a chunk of money away and that the portion of the money going into TSP is tax deferred," said the 18-year veteran. Phillips added that TSP packages are being sent out to TSP enrollees with fund information and pin numbers.

The January leave and earnings statement (LES) will show the member's enrollment for those TSP participants who enrolled by Dec. 8, 2001. Sailors who sign up by Jan. 31 will see their enrollment in the February LES. As little as 1 percent of base pay put into the TSP pays off in many ways.

For more information on TSP, go to <http://www.tsp.gov>, and see your command financial specialist. To enroll in TSP online, go to <http://emss.dfas.mil/emss.htm>. Submitting the enrollment form (TSP-U-1) to your servicing personnel support detachment (PSD) or ship's office can also start your TSP account. The current enrollment period ends Jan. 31. The next open season for enrollment does not begin until May 15.

Navy's Energy Conservation Program is an All-Hands Effort

Navy News Service

When it comes to switching off the lights at the end of the day, it's not only the right thing to do it's the law. Section 202 of Executive Order 13123 sets energy conservation goals for the federal government.

The executive order states, "Each agency shall reduce energy consumption per gross square foot of its facilities by 30 percent by 2005, and 35 percent by 2010, relative to 1985." The full text of Executive Order 13123 can be viewed at the Federal Energy Management Program's Web site at <http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp/aboutfemp/exec13123.html>.

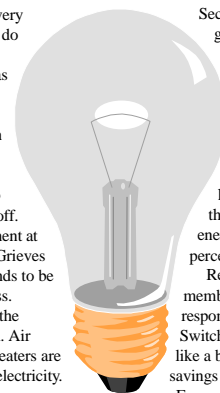
Conserving energy has been around longer than many Sailors have been in the Navy. However, it's common to walk into an empty office and find the lights on or a

computer running. It's every Sailor's responsibility to do their part in saving not only energy, but money as well.

Every Sailor can, and should, do their part with basic energy conservation.

If a light is on and no one is using it — turn it off. Shut down office equipment at the end of the workday. Grievous said office equipment tends to be left on due to carelessness.

Personal comfort has the potential to be a problem. Air conditioners and space heaters are notorious consumers of electricity. First, both appliances draw an extraordinary amount of electricity.



Secondly, use of items that are not government property puts employees, both military and civilian, at risk of violating fraud, waste and abuse regulations.

According to the Navy Energy Web site, since 1985, the Navy's Energy Program has produced savings of more than \$200 million, and reduced energy consumption by 21.7 percent.

Regardless of rank, every member of the command has the responsibility to conserve energy. Switching off a light may not seem like a big deal, but over time, the savings likely benefits the Navy. For more on the Navy Energy program, visit <http://energy.navy.mil>.



USNS Pless Brings JTF Supplies

The U.S. Navy's SS Maj. Stephen W. Pless (T-AK 3007) steamed into GTMO Jan. 16. The 821-foot Navy cargo ship carried a containerized fleet hospital and more than 60 pieces of rolling stock, including vans, buses and field ambulances, for Joint Task Force 160.

Pless is one of about 40 Military Sealift Command ships prepositioning military

equipment and supplies near potential hot spots around the globe.

In addition to prepositioning, these ships provide an array of transportation services, including at-sea logistics support to the Navy fleet, seagoing platforms for special missions, and surge sealift of military equipment and supplies in wartime and peacetime.

Loose Lips Sink Ships

Why OPSEC

The thrust of OPSEC is mission effectiveness, not efficiency.

Many operational procedures are established to promote efficiency, with little thought about how they affect our effectiveness.

By studying how we do things to carry out a mission, we begin to understand what information is vulnerable to collection by an adversary and how he/she can get it. This allows us to safeguard the information we need to protect in order to achieve success.

The OPSEC process allows us to determine how we are vulnerable to exploitation and under what conditions an adversary can use this to his advantage.

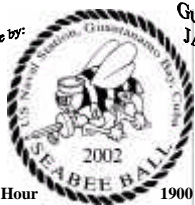
Finally, OPSEC promotes cost-effective countermeasures by showing a Commander or Operational Leader how to best allocate scarce resources to protect the mission.

The best countermeasures are not always more layers of Security, but often mandate a change in procedures.

GUANTANAMO BAY

2002 SEABEE/CEC Ball

Music by:
Jim Veazey
Special Performance by:
Jan Jones



Guest Speaker:
JACK NEILL

1800 - Social Hour 1900 - Ceremony

Saturday, March 2 at the Windjammer

Menu: House Salad, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Rice Pilaf,
Buttered Broccoli, Dinner Roll Tea & Coffee

Attire:	E1-E3	\$5.00
	E4-E6	\$10.00
Summer	E7-O3	\$18.00
Whites	O4 & Up	\$20.00
Civilian Equivalent	Civilians	\$20.00

For tickets, contact CE1 Dula @ 4125 ext 207
or Email: n2011@usnbgmtmo.navy.mil OR
loweMD@efdlant.navy.mil

SEABEE Road Block Fundraiser

\$20 buys you the nastiest truck we have to block in your "favorite" co-worker, friend or relative. \$20 gets the victim unblocked or he/she can wait until we get off work (around 8pm) and we'll unblock you for free. Call 4024,4838 or 2391 until 9pm.

All proceeds go toward
the SEABEE Ball, March 2.

SEABEE Silent Auction

The Seabee Ball Committee hosts a Dinner and Dessert Silent Auction, Saturday Feb. 2, 10am to 2pm at the NEX Atrium. Dinners are enough for 4 people. Bidding start at \$20 for dinner and \$10 for desserts. Meal or desert will be delivered to winning bidder at a later date.

ONE PITCH

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

A SeaBee Ball Fundraiser



- * Feb. 8, 5 pm at Cooper Field
- * 1 Pitch - Double Elimination
- * 15 Players per roster.
- * \$150 team entry fee
- * Awards will be given
- * Rosters and fees due by Feb. 5.
- * Contact Trish Loop at 4662 or Matt Lowe at 4162 for more information.

GTMO SHOPPER

NOTICE

If you worked in the following non-foreign areas between the period October 1, 1990 and September 30, 2000, you may be entitled to be part of a class action suit brought on behalf of current and former federal employees who received a cost of living allowance (COLA).

COLA NON-FOREIGN AREAS COVERED

AN: Anchorage; FB: Fairbanks, JU: Juneau; RA: Rest of Alaska; HO: Honolulu, KA: Kauai; MA: Maui, HA: Hawaii (Big Island); GU: Guam; PR: Puerto Rico; ST: St. Thomas/St. John; SC: St. Croix; CN: Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

The settlement of the case was approved by the courts and became final last year. The details of the settlement can be viewed on the web at: www.colasettlement.com. Under the settlement, some class members may be entitled to receive back pay. If you are interested in finding out more about this class action settlement, the write to: COLA Settlement Administrator, PO Box 4349, Portland, OR 97208 or call 1-877-480-2652

Your claim must be filed with the Settlement Administrator by Feb. 17.

FOR SALE

(1) Two SCUBA TANKS. Single 80CU FT SCUBA cylinder \$75 ea. Call 7427 FMTI.

(3) Men's dive gear - used 5 times in excellent shape \$700; mens wetsuit m/l and womans wet suit 11/12 - \$50 ea. piece, 2 dive lights \$20 for both; girls baby clothes, 0-6 months, tons of them. Prices vary. Infant car seat - \$30; kick start gym - \$15; rollerblades and padding, like new only used 3 times - \$50; queen size air mattress and

pump - \$35; cordless phone - \$15. Call 7616.

(3) Whirlpool window A/C unit, 10,000 btu(s), only one year old. Asking \$195. Please call 5140 (H) or 72680 (W).

(2) Men's wedding band with 9 diamonds appraised at \$495, will sell for \$195. Men's 10 carat ring with garnetstone, paid \$225, will sell for \$125. Call 7672 AWH.

(3) Four 15" C4 Custom Ford Chrome Rims. These are not hub caps. \$75. If interested call Minerva at 5639.

(2) Pine butcher block table with 4 chairs, \$60. Shop Vac, \$20. Call 5847.

(2) Women's ASIC Gel-Ventura, running shoes, size 8, white & blue, sugg. retail-\$60, selling for-\$50. Shoe has never been used, was bought too small. ASIC Gel-Kayano VII, men running shoe, size 11 1/2, white & blue, sugg. retail-\$130, selling for-\$100. Shoe has never worn. Call (W) 4099 or (H) 5533.

(2) Toddler bike seat for adult bike-\$20, youth mini-Easy Boy reliner-\$20, folding plastic bedrail with flash light-\$10. Please call, (W)4099 or (H)5533.

VEHICLES/BOATS

(1) 1991 18' open bow ski boat. 235 hp outboard with skis, safety equipment and hand held radio. \$3,000 OBO. Call 5836

(2) Motorcycle 1996 Yamaha Virago 1100cc. Great Condition, low miles. Asking \$5,500 firm. Call 7672 (AWH).

(2) 17-ft Carolina Skiff, 85HP Trolling motor, fish finder, safety gear all included. Must see. \$2,500 OBO. Call 7895 AWH.

WANTED

"The Iguana Crossing" is currently in need of volunteers to work shifts from either 6-8 p.m. or 8-10 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays

or Saturdays. New and experienced volunteers are welcome! Please call x2323 to sign up. Also, donations of ground coffee, coffee beans, sugar, milk, honey, and baked goods are always welcome!!!!

URGENT! Looking for a vehicle. Would prefer a GTMO Special, but will consider others. Call 4141.

American Red Cross has volunteer openings for adults and youth throughout the GTMO community. Openings include: Taking blood pressures, tracking Sea Turtles, greeting party at FFSC, work at the hospital, helping service-members at the NMCRS, serving treats at the Iguana Crossing Coffee House, and more. Paid childcare available. FMI call 5060.

Wanted: Aquarium stand. Rust OK. Please call 7189.

EMPLOYMENT

Paper Clips, etc., a division of Winston-Salem Industries For The Blind, Inc. headquartered in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, will be taking over ServMart in the near future. We will be needing new associates to join our store, with a special effort to employ visually challenged persons. We will be needing cashiers, stock/warehouse personnel and assistant managers. Please contact the Human Resource Dept. at 1-800-242-7726 or send an e-mail message to: LRing@wsifbcom.

The following are job vacancies currently open through the Human Resources Division:

Openings with closing dates:
Health Systems Specialist, closes 2/6/02

Open Continuous Vacancies:
Supply Technician, 1st cutoff 12/21, closes 12/06/02
For more information contact the Human Resources Division at ext. 4822or4430.

Navy Federal Credit Union has a Part-Time Member Service Representative position available. For more information, call 4333.

The following job opportunities

are available at the Navy Exchange.

F/T - Weekdays, Weekends
Cashier-Checker
Sales Clerk
Customer Service Clerk
Meatcutting Worker
Lead Sales Clerk

Flex - Weekdays, Weekends
Food Service Worker
Motor Vehicle Operator

Flex - Afternoons to 7pm
Cash Office Cashier
For more information, visit the Navy Exchange Personnel Office or call 4119.

LOST & FOUND

(1) Ladies watch found on Sherman Ave, Sunday, Jan. 21. If yours, please call 4242 to describe and claim.

(1) Lost: 16" Red Boys Bike with training wheels; bought for our son for Xmas. Missing out of our backyard at CC 39B. Please call Tamika at 5814 or 72190.

(3) Found a GameBoy Advance system at the ferry landing following the Norfolk-Atlanta-Pensacola arrival 07 Jan. Claim it in OPS. If not claimed, my kids said they'd be happy to have it. Call 4601 or 4704.

GAZETTE Classified Ads

Classified ads may be submitted in person at the COMNAVBASE Public Affairs Office in Rm. 133, Bulkeley Hall, by e-mail at pao@usnbgmtmo.navy.mil, or by fax at 5279.

Phone-in ads are not accepted. Ads run for three weeks unless otherwise specified, except personals, which run one issue only.

Ads submitted by e-mail must include the advertiser's full name and phone number and should be typed into the body of the e-mail. If the ad is included as an attachment, it should be in Word, Rich Text, or Text formats only, and also include the advertiser's full name and phone number.

Advertiser is responsible for notifying the Gazette staff of items that are sold so the ad may be deleted.

All ad text may be edited by the Gazette staff to conform to format.

The deadline for submitting ads for each week is the close of business, Wednesday of the week you want your ad to start.

BEHIND ENEMY LINES



Action/Adventure
and Drama
1 hr. 45 min.

Starring:
Owen Wilson,
Gene Hackman,
David Keith,
Gabriel Macht,
Olek Krupa

A Navy pilot (Wilson) is shot down over enemy territory and struggles to survive the relentless pursuit of a ruthless secret police enforcer, a deadly tracker, and countless hostile troops. With time running out, the injured pilot's commanding officer (Gene Hackman) goes against orders to carry out a desperate rescue mission.

THE WASH

Comedy
1 hr. 34 min.

Starring:
Dr Dre,
Snoop Dogg,
Angell Conwell,
Tom "Tiny" Lister
Jr.,
DJ Pooh



Dee Loc (Snoop Dogg) and Sean (Dr. Dre) are roommates working at a car wash run by the ill-tempered Mr. Washington (George Wallace). As if the two weren't in enough trouble—chasing the ladies during work hours, hustling customers with side-scams—Mr. Washington gets kidnapped and the roommates have to figure out how to get him back.

SPY GAME



Thriller
2 hrs. 07 min.
Starring:
Robert Redford,
Brad Pitt,
Catherine McCormack,
Stephen Dillane,
Larry Bryggman

Complications arise on the last day of work for a veteran CIA agent (Robert Redford) when he must organize the rescue of a young protege (Brad Pitt) who has been captured by the Chinese while on a personal mission.

Movies

FRIDAY JANUARY 25

7pm Joe Somebody.
PG - 108min

9pm Behind Enemy Lines
PG13 - 120min

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

7pm Black Knight
PG13 - 95min

9pm The Wash
R - 94min

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

7pm Spy Game
R - 127min

MONDAY, JANUARY 28

7pm Extreme Days
PG - 114min

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

7pm Out Cold
PG13 - 93min

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

7pm Joe Somebody
PG - 108min

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

7pm The Wash
R - 94min



What's Happening...

Black History Month

3 on 3 Basketball tournament

Feb. 2 at 4pm at the Base Gym.
Trophies will be presented to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place team finishers in each division.
Call 2193 for more information.

Valentine's Day "Sweetheart"

Special

Feb. 14 Enjoy a relaxing cruise on the bay with just you and that someone special. We are offering half price off the hourly rental rates (plus gas) for any available boat on Valentine's Day (excluding the Gtmo Queen).

Washington's Birthday Special

Feb. 18 If you were born on this day, get half off the normal daily rental fee for any available boat, water toy or rod and reel combo (excluding gas and the Gtmo Queen).

Youth Center

January 25 - Bingo Night
January 26 - Open Rec.
Call 4658 for more information.

Free Kayaking lessons

Available every Saturday and Sunday at the Marina 2-4 pm, 4-6 pm.
Beginners through advanced. Qualified instructors take you through all the steps to becoming a qualified kayaker. Sign up at the Marina or call 2345.

Free Sailing lessons

Available every Saturday and Sunday at the Sailing Center. Learn to enjoy the bay in one of our high speed Zumas, Hunters or Catalina 22's. Qualified instructors help you attain basic to advanced skipper licenses. Call 2345 for sign up times.

Tae Kwon Do

Marine Hill aerobics room Kids - Monday - Friday 4 -5pm. Adults - Monday - Friday 6:30 - 7:30pm. All ages - Monday - Friday 11am - 12pm.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Saturday, February 16th
6:30pm-12:00am. A reservation fee of \$2.50 is due by Wednesday, February 13th, to hold a spot for your child(ren). One hour is \$2.50, two hours is \$5.00, and three or more hours is \$12.00. The \$2.50 deposit

For more information on any of the events listed above, call 5225.